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Fifth Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 — 21st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

Construction and property management

Progress in the renovation of Africa Hall and the construction of new office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa

Introduction and general discussion

Documents: A/73/355 and A/73/616

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Followed by – 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

Construction and property management

Progress in the renovation of Africa Hall and the construction of new office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa

Seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific premises in Bangkok

Progress on the replacement of office blocks A–J at the United Nations Office at Nairobi

Documents: A/73/355, A/73/616, A/73/327, A/73/425, A/73/344 and A/73/426

15:00 – 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 - Item 136

Special political missions

Review of arrangements for funding and backstopping special political missions

Review of the experience of the utilization of the contingency fund

Documents: A/66/340, A/66/7/Add.21, A/70/395 and A/70/7/Add.7

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

Security Council

Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

10:00 [webcast] Conference Room 2

All troop- and police-contributing countries are invited to attend this meeting.

Documents: S/2018/958 and S/PRST/2017/8

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2127 (2013) concerning the Central African Republic

15:00 - 18:00 Closed Conference Room 7

Presentation and discussion of the final report of the Panel of Experts on the CAR pursuant to paragraph 32 (c) of resolution 2399 (2018)

Discussion of the table of recommendations emanating from the final report of the Panel of Experts

Other matters

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

15:00 – 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Draft conclusions on children and armed conflict in Myanmar

Other matters

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General Assembly

Seventy-third session

11 December 2018

10:00 49th plenary meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea - Item 78

Oceans and the law of the sea - Item 78 (a)

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Joint debate

Documents: A/73/68, A/73/368, A/73/124, A/73/74, A/73/373 and A/73/L.35

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Fifth Committee

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10 December 2018

10:00 – 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

15:00 – 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

18 December 2018

15:00 – 18:00 291st meeting Conference Room 1

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee.

The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public.

Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its meeting 164 in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982.

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

The provisional agenda currently consists of the following item(s):

Entry visas issued by the host country

Other matters

Document: A/50/26

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General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Twelfth session

10 December 2018

15:30 – 18:00	Meeting (at the ambassadorial level) Country-specific configuration on Guinea-Bissau	Conference Room 12

Economic and Social Council
Session 2019

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

18 and 19 December 2018

10:00 – 13:00	Informal consultations to discuss new applications (closed)	Conference Room 12
15:00 – 18:00	Informal consultations to discuss new applications (closed)	Conference Room 12

All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend.

Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Members elect of the Committee for 2019-2022 are also invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

7 January 2018

10:00 – 11:30	Pre-session informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 5 December 2018

General Assembly
Seventy-third session

[archived video]

45th plenary meeting

Reports of the First Committee

The Rapporteur of the First Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 93 to 108, 123 and 137.

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the First Committee which were before the Assembly.

Reduction of military budgets; report of the First Committee (A/73/502) - Item 93

The General Assembly took note of the report of the First Committee (A/73/502) (decision 73/510).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 93.

African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty; report of the First Committee (A/73/503) - Item 94

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/73/503) (resolution 73/26).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 94.

Maintenance of international security – good neighbourliness, stability and development in South-Eastern Europe; report of the First Committee (A/73/504) - Item 95

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/73/504) (decision 73/511).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 95.

Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security; report of the First Committee (A/73/505) - Item 96

The General Assembly was informed that action on the draft resolution II was postponed to a later date to allow time for the review of the programme budget implications by the Fifth Committee.

By 119 votes to 46, with 14 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution I recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/73/505) (resolution 73/27)

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 96.

Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East; report of the First Committee (A/73/506) - Item 97

By 171 votes to 2, with 5 abstentions, the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/73/506) (resolution 73/28).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 97.

Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/73/507) - Item 98

By 125 votes to 0, with 58 abstentions, the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (resolution 73/29).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 98.

Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/73/508) - Item 99

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/73/508) and the draft decision recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 12 in the same report, as follows:

Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 73/30) Yes: 178; No: 2; Abstentions: 0

Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 73/31) Yes: 128; No: 12; Abstentions: 40

Draft decision (recorded vote) (decision 73/512) Yes: 128; No: 3; Abstentions: 48

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 99.

Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/73/509) - Item 100

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/73/509) (resolution 73/32).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 100.

General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/73/510) - Item 101

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to XI, recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 101 of its report (A/73/510) and draft decisions I and II in paragraph 102 of the same report, as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 73/33): Adopted

Draft resolution II (recorded vote): Operative paragraph 2: Yes: 128; No: 2; Abstentions: 43

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/34): Yes: 179; No: 1; Abstentions: 3

Draft resolution III (resolution 73/35) Adopted

Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) Eighth preambular paragraph: Yes: 158; No: 0; Abstentions: 16

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 4: Yes: 138; No: 0; Abstentions: 33

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 9 Yes: 134; No: 2; Abstentions: 35

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/36) Yes: 151; No: 0; Abstentions: 29

Draft resolution V (resolution 73/37): Adopted

Draft resolution VI (recorded vote) (resolution 73/38) Yes: 151; No: 4; Abstentions: 25

Draft resolution VII (resolution 73/39): Adopted

Draft resolution VIII (recorded vote) Twelfth preambular paragraph Yes: 129; No: 19; Abstentions: 23

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/40) Yes: 143; No: 27; Abstentions: 14

Draft resolution IX (recorded vote) (resolution 73/41) Yes: 128; No: 4; Abstentions: 52

Draft resolution X (recorded vote) (resolution 73/42) Yes: 178; No: 0; Abstentions: 4

Draft resolution XI (recorded vote) (resolution 73/43) Yes: 181; No: 0; Abstentions: 2

Draft resolution XII (resolution 73/44): Adopted

Draft resolution XIII (recorded vote) Fourth preambular paragraph Yes: 134; No: 7; Abstentions: 25

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 2 Yes: 122; No: 13; Abstentions: 26

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 3 Yes: 122; No: 13; Abstentions: 30

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 4 Yes: 112; No: 18; Abstentions: 35

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 16 Yes: 110; No: 15; Abstentions: 38

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/45) 152 7 22

Draft resolution XIV (recorded vote)

Tenth preambular paragraph Yes: 149; No: 0; Abstentions: 23

As a whole (resolution 73/46): Adopted

Draft resolution XV (recorded vote) (resolution 73/47) Yes: 142; No: 15; Abstentions: 26

Draft resolution XVI (recorded vote) (resolution 73/48) Yes: 126; No: 41; Abstentions: 16

Draft resolution XVII (recorded vote) (resolution 73/49) Yes: 171; No: 1; Abstentions: 12

Draft resolution XVIII (recorded vote) Thirty-second preambular paragraph Yes: 116; No: 38; Abstentions: 15

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 16 Yes: 167; No: 2; Abstentions: 6

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/50) Yes: 125; No: 40; Abstentions: 18

Draft resolution XIX (resolution 73/51) Adopted

Draft resolution XX (resolution 73/52) Adopted

Draft resolution XXI (recorded vote) Ninth preambular paragraph Yes: 168; No: 2; Abstentions: 7

As a whole (resolution 73/53) Adopted

Draft resolution XXII (recorded vote) Fourteenth preambular paragraph Yes: 153; No: 0; Abstentions: 18

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/54) Yes: 144; No: 1; Abstentions: 38

Draft resolution XXIII (resolution 73/55) Adopted

Draft resolution XXIV (recorded vote) (resolution 73/56) Yes: 126; No: 49; Abstentions: 11

Draft resolution XXV (recorded vote) Seventh preambular paragraph Yes: 128; No: 20; Abstentions: 25

(recorded vote) Ninth preambular paragraph Yes: 136; No: 3; Abstentions: 35

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/57) Yes: 138; No: 21; Abstentions: 26

Draft resolution XXVI (resolution 73/58) Adopted

Draft resolution XXVII (recorded vote) Operative paragraph 3 Yes: 117; No: 0; Abstentions: 3

As a whole (resolution 73/59) Adopted

Draft resolution XXVIII (recorded vote) Eighth preambular paragraph Yes: 164; No: 2; Abstentions: 7

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/60) Yes: 175; No: 5; Abstentions: 5

Draft resolution XXIX (recorded vote) (resolution 73/61) Yes: 169; No: 0; Abstentions: 16

Draft resolution XXX (recorded vote) Nineteenth preambular paragraph Yes: 167; No: 3; Abstentions: 10

(recorded vote) Twentieth preambular paragraph Yes: 168; No: 2; Abstentions: 6

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 2 Yes: 150; No: 5; Abstentions: 21

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 3 Yes: 147; No: 8; Abstentions: 22

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 5 Yes: 175; No: 3; Abstentions: 2

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 7 Yes: 162; No: 3; Abstentions: 10

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 10 Yes: 152; No: 1; Abstentions: 26

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 12 Yes: 148; No: 2; Abstentions: 27

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 13 Yes: 170; No: 3; Abstentions: 4

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 18 Yes: 159; No: 2; Abstentions: 20

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 20 Yes: 174; No: 1; Abstentions: 5

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 21 Yes: 173; No: 2; Abstentions: 4

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 31 Yes: 172; No: 0; Abstentions: 8

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/62) Yes: 162; No: 4; Abstentions: 23

Draft resolution XXXI (recorded vote) Ninth preambular paragraph Yes: 157; No: 0; Abstentions: 19

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/63) Yes: 185; No: 1; Abstentions: 2

Draft resolution XXXII (recorded vote) Ninth preambular paragraph Yes: 138; No: 2; Abstentions: 31

(recorded vote) Seventeenth preambular paragraph Yes: 118; No: 35; Abstentions: 20

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 2 Yes: 121; No: 35; Abstentions: 18

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/64) Yes: 138; No: 32; Abstentions: 17

Draft resolution XXXIII (recorded vote) (resolution 73/65) Yes: 182; No: 1; Abstentions: 5

Draft resolution XXXIV (resolution 73/66) Adopted

Draft resolution (XXXV) (resolution 73/67) Adopted

Draft resolution XXXVI (recorded vote) Eleventh preambular paragraph Yes: 122; No: 29; Abstentions: 18

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/68) Yes: 136; No: 36; Abstentions: 14

Draft resolution XXXVII (recorded vote) Seventh preambular paragraph Yes: 176; No: 2; Abstentions: 1

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 6 Yes: 176; No: 2; Abstentions: 0

As a whole (resolution 73/69) Adopted

Draft resolution XXXVIII (recorded vote) Fourth preambular paragraph Yes: 139; No: 1; Abstentions: 33

(recorded vote) Twelfth preambular paragraph Yes: 122; No: 35; Abstentions: 17

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 13 Yes: 132; No: 2; Abstentions: 41

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 15 Yes: 162; No: 4; Abstentions: 8

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 24 Yes: 122; No: 36; Abstentions: 15

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/70) Yes: 139; No: 32; Abstentions: 17

Draft resolution XXXIX (recorded vote) (resolution 73/71) Yes: 179; No: 0; Abstentions: 5

Draft resolution XL (recorded vote) (resolution 73/72) Yes: 180; No: 2; Abstentions: 1

Draft decision I (recorded vote) (decision 73/513) Yes: 174; No: 2; Abstentions: 7

Draft decision II (recorded vote) (decision 73/514) Yes: 181; No: 0; Abstentions: 2

The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 101.

Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly; Report of the First Committee (A/73/511) - Item 102

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I to VIII recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 24 of its report (A/73/511), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 73/73) Adopted

Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 73/74) Yes: 124; No: 50; Abstentions: 13

Draft resolution III (resolution 73/75) Adopted

Draft resolution IV (resolution 73/76) Adopted

Draft resolution V (resolution 73/77) Adopted

Draft resolution VI (resolution 73/78) Adopted

Draft resolution VII (resolution 73/79) Adopted

Draft resolution VIII (resolution 73/80) Adopted

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 102.

Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/73/512) - Item 103

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 12 of its report (A/73/512), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 73/81) Adopted

Draft resolution II (resolution 73/82) Adopted

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 103.

The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/73/513) - Item 104

The General Assembly was informed that action on the draft decision was postponed to a later date to allow time for the review of the programme budget implications by the Fifth Committee.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/73/513), as follows:

(recorded vote) Fifth preambular paragraph Yes: 168; No: 3; Abstentions: 4

(recorded vote) Sixth preambular paragraph Yes: 167; No: 3; Abstentions: 4

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/83) Yes: 158; No: 6; Abstentions: 21

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 104.

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed By Excessively Injurious ore to Have Indiscriminate Effects; Report of the First Committee (A/73/514) - Item 105

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/73/514) (resolution 73/84).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 105.

Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region; Report of the First Committee (A/73/515) - Item 106

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/73/515), as follows:

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 2 Yes: 169; No: 2; Abstentions: 3

(recorded vote) Operative paragraph 5 Yes: 168; No: 2; Abstentions: 3

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/85) Yes: 181; No: 0; Abstentions: 2

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 106.

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban-Treaty; report of the First Committee (A/73/516) - Item 107

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/73/516), as follows:

(recorded vote) Fourth preambular paragraph Yes: 167; No: 0; Abstentions: 11

(recorded vote) Seventh preambular paragraph Yes: 172; No: 0; Abstentions: 7

(recorded vote) As a whole (resolution 73/86) Yes: 183; No: 1; Abstentions: 4

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 107.

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction; Report of the First Committee (A/73/517) - Item 108

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/73/517) (resolution 73/87).

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 108.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly; Report of the First Committee (A/73/518) - Item 123

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the First Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/73/518) (decision 73/515).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 123.

Programme planning; Report of the First Committee (A/73/519) - Item 137

The General Assembly took note of the report of the First Committee (decision 73/516).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 137.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the First Committee before it for this meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Session 2019

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6th plenary meeting

The Vice-President (Norway) opened the meeting.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters - Item 2

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft decision E/2019/L.2

The Council was informed that the draft decision contained no programme budget implications.

The Council adopted the draft decision (decision 2019/204).

Action on draft decision E/2019/L.3

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Council decided to postpone action on draft decision E/2019/L.3 to a later date.

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments - Item 4

Resignation of a member of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

The Council proceeded to elect, by secret ballot, one member of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2019, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Mr. Seyed Mohsen Emadi (Islamic Republic of Iran).

The President responded to a question posed by the representative of China.

The representatives of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Turkey served as Tellers.

The result of the secret ballot was as follows:

Mr. Javad Safaei (35 votes)

Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Javad Safaei (Islamic Republic of Iran) was declared elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2019.

Election of members of the Council to the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Committee

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2020: Colombia, Ireland, the Republic of Korea and Romania.

The Council decided to postpone the election of one member from the African States and two States members of the Economic and Social Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 2019.

Vacancies postponed from previous sessions of the Council

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected El Salvador, by acclamation, to the Commission, for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-third session in 2019 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-sixth session in 2023.

The Council decided to further postpone the election of one vacancy from the Asia-Pacific States, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fourth session in 2021, one vacancy from the African States and one vacancy from the Asia-Pacific States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fifth session in 2022, and one vacancy from the Latin American and Caribbean States and one vacancy from the Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-third session in 2019 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-sixth session in 2023.

Commission for Social Development

The Council elected Ukraine, by acclamation, to the Commission, for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-eighth session in 2019 and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-first session in 2023.

The Council decided to further postpone one vacancy from the Western European and other States, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-eighth session in 2020, two vacancies from the Western European and other States, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-ninth session in 2021, and two vacancies from the Asia-Pacific States and two vacancies from the Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the commission's fifty-eighth session in 2019 and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-first session in 2023.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

The Council elected Ecuador and Guatemala, by acclamation, to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice for a three-year term beginning 1 January 2019 and expiring 31 December 2021.

The Council decided to further postpone the elections of one member from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2020, and one member from the Eastern European States a for a three-term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2021.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Council elected the Dominican Republic, by acclamation, to the Commission on Science and Technology for Development for a four-year term beginning 1 January 2019 and expiring 31 December 2022.

The Council decided to further postpone one member from African States and two members from the Latin American and Caribbean States for a four-term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2022.

Committee for Development Policy

The Council elected by acclamation, Mr. Rolph van der Hoeven of the Netherlands to the Committee for Development Policy for a term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2021, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Teresa Ribera (Spain).

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected, by acclamation, Ms. Preeti Saran to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2022.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

The Council elected Morocco, by acclamation, to the Intergovernmental Working Group for a 3-year term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring 31 December 2021.

The Council decided to further postpone the election of two members from Asia-Pacific States, and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2018, one member from African States, two members from the Asia-Pacific States, three members from the Latin American and Caribbean States and seven members from the Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2020, and one member from African States, one member from Asia-Pacific States, and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2021.

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Election of a member from the contributing countries, in accordance with paragraph 61 (b) of General Assembly resolution 64/289

The Council elected, by acclamation, the United Arab Emirates to the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, for a term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2019.

Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

The Council was informed that Germany would resign its seat on the Programme Coordinating Board effective 31 December 2018. The Council then elected, by acclamation, France to complete the term of office of Germany (expiring on 31 December 2019).

The results of action taken by the Council with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies at the 6th meeting will be contained in Council decision 2019/201 A.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice President (Norway).

Thursday, 6 December 2018

Security Council

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8414th meeting

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and sub-regional organizations in maintaining international peace and security

The role of States, regional arrangements and the United Nations in the prevention and resolution of conflicts

Letter dated 28 November 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Côte d'Ivoire to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/1064)

The meeting was presided over by His Excellency Marcel Amon-Tanoh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Mali, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Portugal, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, the Sudan, Turkey, Ukraine, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Viet Nam to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the following briefers to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: His Excellency Moussa Faki Mahamat, Chairperson of the African Union Commission; His Excellency Jean-Claude Kassi Brou, President of the ECOWAS Commission.

The President invited His Excellency Serge Christiane, Acting Deputy Head of Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Council heard a briefing by the Secretary-General, His Excellency António Guterres.

The Council heard briefings by His Excellency Moussa Faki Mahamat and His Excellency Jean-Claude Kassi Brou.

Statements were made by the President, speaking in his capacity as the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire, and by the representatives of France, Equatorial

Guinea, Sweden, Peru, Kuwait, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, Ethiopia, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, China, Kazakhstan, Poland, the United States and the Netherlands.

The Council heard statements by Her Excellency Katherine Zappone, Minister for Children and Youth Affairs of Ireland, and by the representatives of Rwanda, Senegal, Japan, Colombia, Italy, Pakistan, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (speaking on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Guatemala, Namibia, Lebanon, Portugal, Argentina, Liechtenstein, South Africa, Singapore, Germany, Norway (speaking on behalf of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Mali, Belgium, Kenya, Estonia, Morocco, Cuba, Slovakia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia, Ukraine, the Dominican Republic, Egypt and Brazil.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Serge Christiane (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as the Republic of Moldova and Georgia aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Ghana, Romania, Turkey, Canada, Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Sudan, the Republic of Moldova, Viet Nam and Nigeria.

General Assembly
Seventy-third session

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46th plenary meeting

The situation in Afghanistan - Item 40

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/73/374)

(b) Draft resolution (A/73/L.44)

The representative of Germany made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/73/L.44.

Statements were made by the representatives of Afghanistan, the European Union (also on behalf of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Montenegro, the Republic of Moldova, Serbia, Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine), Australia, India, Maldives, Pakistan, Norway, Turkey, China, the United Arab Emirates, Belgium, Canada, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bangladesh, the United States and the United Kingdom.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

Statements on a point of order were made by the representatives of Afghanistan, Germany and the Russian Federation.

The President made a statement.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement on a point of order.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

By 124 votes to 0, with 3 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/73/L.44 (resolution 73/88).

The representative of China made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 40.

47th plenary meeting — The summary of the 47th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/237).

Fifth Committee
Seventy-third session

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20th meeting — Programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019 - Item 136

The Committee resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

Tenth progress report of the Secretary-General on the enterprise resource planning project

The Under-Secretary-General for Management introduced the tenth progress report of the Secretary-General on the enterprise resource planning project (A/73/389).

The Director of External Audit (India) and Chair of the Audit Operations Committee, Board of Auditors, Ms. Parama Sen, introduced the seventh annual progress report of the Board of Auditors on the implementation of the United Nations enterprise resource planning system (A/73/169).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/73/607).

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement), the United States and Singapore.

The Committee concluded its general discussion on that question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on that question would be held on that day, Thursday, 6 December immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting and would be coordinated by Mr. Ngartolina Asnal (Chad); followed by item 139: Pattern of conferences.

The Chair also informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Thursday, 6 December in the afternoon on agenda item 144: United Nations pension system and item 143: United Nations common system.

The Chair made remarks.

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Friday, 7 December 2018

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

13:15 - 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room D

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

Event entitled "Seventieth anniversary of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime" (A/RES/69/323) (organized by the United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect)

11:00 - 12:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Link: Invitation

Contact: Maria Westergren (maria.westergren@un.org, 212-963-6241)

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Event entitled "The Seventieth Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: Marking achievements, rethinking challenges" (A/RES/217 (III)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Armenia)

10 December 2018

11:30 - 13:00 Conference Room 6

Contact: Sofya Simonyan (s.simonyan@mfa.am, 212-686-4079)

Event entitled "Equality, Dignity and Justice for all: Legal Discourses on Decriminalizing Homosexuality" (on the occasion of the Seventieth Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (A/RES/217 (III)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

10 December 2018

13:15 - 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 12

Contact: Permanent Mission of India (india@un.int; 212-490-9660)

Event entitled "Relevance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to Today's Cutting-Edge Human Rights Issues of Inequality, Climate Change and New Technologies" (A/RES/217(III) and A/RES/423(V)) (on the occasion of the Human Rights Day and the Seventieth Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights) (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

10 December 2018

15:00 - 16:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Contact: Nenad Vasić (vasic@un.org, 212-963-5998)

2018 Global Humanitarian Policy Forum (A/RES/72/133) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

12 December 2018

10:00 - 12:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

13:30 - 16:15 Conference Room 1

16:30 - 17:00 Conference Room 1

13 December 2018

10:00 - 12:00 Conference Room 1

Link: Website

Contact: Chris Gerlach (gerlach2@un.org; 212-963-0522)

Special Event: Innovative solutions for addressing recidivism through entrepreneurship (A/RES/70/175, A/RES/65/229 and A/RES/45/110) (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

13 December 2018

13:15 - 14:30

Conference Room 8

Contact: Daniel Schatz (schatz@un.org, 212-963-2667)

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